

POLICE INVADIED QUAKER CITY DENS

Prominent Men and Women Captured in Sensational Raid in Philadelphia.

THE MAGISTRATES BUSY
Several Women, Fearing Anger of Husbands, Tried to Kill Themselves.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., July 3.—Many scenes were witnessed at the Central Police Station in the City Hall yesterday morning, following the wholesale raids made by the police and agents of the Law and Order Society on Saturday night, when they swooped down upon nearly 100 alleged disreputable houses, gambling dens and speak-easies, and caught in their dragnet 400 prisoners. The great majority of these were women, many young and pretty, while not a few were, according to their own stories, married women, who realized keenly the terrible situation in which they were placed. A number proclaimed their entire innocence and indulged freely in tears and hysterics.

During the greater part of the night and until noon yesterday four magistrates were busily engaged in taking evidence against the prisoners. The proprietors and proprietresses of houses complained of were held for court in every case, in bail ranging from \$500 to \$1,000. The majority of the inmates were also held, their bail being fixed in smaller sums, \$50 being the average, while the frequenters of the places were either held in like amounts or fined \$10 and costs, and allowed to go. A few who were able to prove that they had not been frequenters of the resorts were permitted to go.

Few Able to Get Bail.
In all 250 men and women were held for court. Only about twenty were able to obtain bail, and the rest were taken to Moyamensing prison. The scope covered by the raids may be imagined when it is stated that practically all the territory from Diamond Street to Washington Avenue, and from the Schuylkill to the Delaware river was embraced. No less than twelve police districts were included—the First, Second, Third, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth and Nineteenth.

The raids were remarkable in many ways. In size of the territory covered and the number of men and women taken into custody, nothing like this has ever taken place in this city. The plans were carefully carried out, the directions being strictly obeyed, and the whole affair was kept so secret that there was absolutely no leak. Perhaps one of the most remarkable features of the raids was the fact that they were carried out by the very policemen who, under Director of Public Safety Smith, had reported that no signs of vice existed on their beats, and who refused to aid the Law and Order Society in cleaning out these places.

One of the very tender years, gray-haired women, old in crime, and married women were discovered in the disreputable dens. Gamblers and speak-easy keepers were gathered in, and large quantities of liquor stored for Sunday's trading were confiscated.

Tried to Kill Themselves.
Many of the prisoners presented pitiable spectacles. Several women became hysterical and others, during the raids, attempted to jump from windows. One woman nearly succeeded in throwing herself from a third-story window. Others threw themselves on the floors, struck the boards with their heads and wailing rending tones cried that their husbands would kill them if they discovered they were arrested. Between 20 and 30 women who declared they were married were in this predicament. Others protested strongly their innocence of any wrongdoing, asserting that they had gone to the game either to play a social game of cards or to see women friends.

All their protestations were in vain, however, and these women received considerably less sympathy than the younger ones who admitted their positions and philosophically became resigned to their fate. In a house on Oxford Street near Seventh four couples were found. They had been at a theatre and were in evening dress. The cries of the women were pitiful as they pleaded for their release, declaring that they belonged to good families and had only called at the place because the hotels closed at 12 o'clock. With others they were loaded into a patrol wagon and taken to the Twelfth police district. Three of the women swooned after vainly offering valuable jewelry to be released. Their companions had already offered what money they had in their possession and their gold watches and diamond studs. All the cars gave assumed names, but it was declared that their identity is known.

Many old-timers were arrested, among them being Johann Dalmado, 60 years old, of Twelfth and Thompson Streets. Some time ago she pleaded guilty, and was fined \$200 and costs upon promising to give up business. She put up a "For Sale" sign, but it is contended that she did not quit business. She claimed to have a strong pull. Many boys, more than 16 years old were arrested, as well as girls apparently not more than 14 years old.

The affair, although so serious, had many humorous sides. For instance, an entire team of carriages in their field, were captured on Vine Street, near Tenth. They said they were from Bermuda. A South Eleventh Street woman protested against her arrest, and declared that the police were exceeding their duty, as she claimed to be the friend of a prominent Republican statesman.

Harsh Treatment at City Hall.
While the plans for the raid were carefully made, some of the incidents at the City Hall called for a large number of witnesses. Superintendent of Po-

lice Taylor had made every possible arrangement for the comfort of the women prisoners, and the most positive instructions were given by him to his subordinates in charge of the cell-room, but despite these the women were treated like so many cattle. The women's lot of half a dozen cells were first filled to overflowing, and then the police began filling up the narrow corridor outside until no more than 15 women were packed into this small space.

For 12 hours these unfortunate were obliged to stand in this corridor and in the cells. There was practically no ventilation, and the air was noxious from vile odors. Police Sergeant Frank West provided three chairs for these 170 women. Some of the unfortunate sank upon the floor exhausted by the heat and the nervous strain. Others became hysterical. The sick ones were pulled from the corridor and restored to the turnkey's private offices and taken back to the crowded quarters. The more determined the women smoked cigarettes, which had been smuggled to them, thus making the already vile air intolerable.

Little Care for Old Women.
Nearly all the women were under 20 years of age, but there were some whose hair was gray, and who were old enough to be grandmothers to the other prisoners. Superintendent Taylor and his subordinates prevented the police from taking any of these old women into the cells. On one woman, 65 years old, had been taken from her bed by the police. She had been ill for a number of days, and was under the care of a physician. Dr. Fritz, police surgeon, declared she would stand being locked up with the others. Superintendent Taylor refused to permit this, and ordered the woman released. She was allowed to return home.

Even water to quench the thirst of the unfortunate was at a premium. For the 70 women water was doled out to them in small quantities. As the hours dragged on their sufferings became more acute. In utter despair some of the women had friends outside begged for messages to be sent to them in order that bail might be entered or their order paid. Not for a long while were these messages allowed to be sent.

Even when the prisoners' friends arrived, the police made it impossible for any aid to be rendered to the prisoners. Magistrate Eisenbrow left for Cape May. Magistrate Schuchman, who arrived at the City Hall at 10 o'clock, refused to accept bail in any of Eisenbrow's cases, saying that the bail must be entered before that magistrate. Sergeant Westphal refused to permit copies of the charges against the prisoners to be given out by the turnkey.

Nothing for the Prisoners to Eat.
No provision had been made for feeding the prisoners. The women, faint from hunger, and their cries to their guardians: "For God's sake give us a cup of coffee!" One man in the electrical plant, who was touched by these pitiful appeals, sent to the kitchen and bought 50 sandwiches, which the police permitted to be given out among the women.

Later in the forenoon the police began removing the prisoners to Moyamensing Prison in the police vans. There had been hours of unnecessary delay, and the last batch of prisoners was taken away at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. As the prisoners were led to the cell-room, one of the women said to a sergeant: "In God's name when are we going to get something to eat?" The sergeant did not know.

DATE FOR PRIMARY.
Henrico Committee Meets Saturday, also to Elect Judges.

The Henrico County Democratic Committee will meet at the County Court House Saturday at noon for the purpose of electing judges for the primary and deciding the date for the same. Candidates will be assessed at this meeting. For the House of Delegates, Messrs. Charles M. Trickett, and A. Von Rosenberg are contestants. The committee will meet in the upper branch, Judge T. Ashby Wickham and Mr. Thomas N. Gardner acting as a war.

Below is a list of the members of the committee, with the precincts they represent: Thomas C. Ruffin, chairman, Chestnut Hill; S. M. O'Gorman, secretary, Short Pump; L. P. O'Gorman, secretary, Clark's Creek; L. P. O'Gorman, secretary, Church; Mark T. Thompson, Westhampton; H. L. Ryan, Shumaker; Thomas F. Bagley, Howard's Grove; E. S. Kellam, Hardin's Shop; C. A. Graves, Seven Pines; W. T. Warriner, Whitlocks; R. M. Hunsbury, and J. T. Anger, Hunsbury; and Louis F. Myers, of Jones, and Joe Jones, of Burns, died since the last meeting. The resignation of Mr. A. R. Holderby, Jr., as a judge from Shumaker precinct, will be accepted at the meeting Saturday.

TWO GAMES TO-DAY.

Morning Game Has Been Cancelled—Fighting for First Place.

There will be no game of base-ball between teams of the Twin-City League at Richmond Park this morning. Two games will be played this morning. The morning game that was talked of for a while has been cancelled. Instead of the Black Thorns and the Ironsides the Black Thorns will play the Manchester will be pitted against the Richmond aggregation at the first game this afternoon. The game will be called at 2:45 o'clock. The second game will be between the two leading teams, Barons and the Browns. This is expected to be one of the proudest games of the season, for both teams are now fighting for first place. If the team from across the river wins the game, there will be little difference between the standings and the nine may take a change from first place at any minute.

Leave for the Manchester aggregation and Albert Anthony is in good shape to play first base.

Will Speak at New Store.

Congressman H. D. Flood was in the city yesterday, but left in the evening for New Store. In Buckingham county, where he will make a Fourth of July address by invitation to-day. He will probably return to this city to-morrow.

Senator Martin Returns.

Senator Thomas S. Martin returned to the city yesterday evening from Charlotte Courthouse, where he delivered an address to the Democrats of the county in the evening. The senator expressed himself as gratified with his reception in Charlotte, stating that the courthouse was well filled and the audience responsive and at times enthusiastic.

A few hours in this city Senator Martin left at 10:45 for Culpeper, where he will attend the horse show to-day and

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to-morrow, going to King George court on Thursday. He stated that he would not speak at Culpeper, but was merely going for the pleasure of attending the show and meeting the thousands who will attend the show.

DESTROYER GOING TO SINK WARSHIP

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The destroyer signalled the Cranley to accompany her inside the harbor. The Cranley complied, the destroyer in the meanwhile keeping her guns trained on the steamer. Later Russian officials took possession of the Cranley and searched her for revolutionary refugees. The British consul-general protested to the Gov. Gen. and the Russian officials apologized to the consul-general.

Sixty-seven mutineers from the Georgi Pobedonozets were brought ashore and imprisoned in the Citadel.

Mutiny on Cruiser.

(By Associated Press.)
CRONSTADT, July 3.—The crew of the Russian cruiser Minnie refused to go to sea to-day, with the other vessels of the active squadron, and the Russian officials protested to the Gov. Gen. and the Russian officials apologized to the consul-general.

**MUTINOUS WARSHIP
RETURNING TO CITY**

Roumanian Officials Refuse to Give Provisions to Kniaz Potemkine.

(By Associated Press.)
BUCHAREST, July 3.—The Kniaz Potemkine left Kusteni this afternoon. It is stated that she is returning to Odessa.

The Russian torpedo boat No. 567, accompanying the Potemkine, attempted to enter the port of Kusteni to-day. The Roumanian cruiser Elisabetha fired on the torpedo boat, but failed to hit her. The torpedo boat then retired.

This incident followed the refusal of the crew of the Kniaz Potemkine to accept the government's offer, made through the captain of the port, who positively announced that the mutineers would not be allowed to receive provisions unless they came ashore unarmed and delivered up the battleship and torpedo boat to the captain of the port. If these conditions were fulfilled the mutineers would be given liberty to go where they pleased. The rebellious sailors conferred together, then refused the government's demand and renewed their demand for provisions. This was again positively denied by the captain of the port, whereupon the Russian torpedo boat attempted to enter the port but on being fired upon by the Elisabetha and evidently awed by the firm stand taken by the authorities, she decided to retire.

COLONEL RUSHED TO RESCUE OF CAPTAIN

Badly Wounded, Expired After Writing Letter to the Emperor.

(By Associated Press.)
KHERSON, GOVERNMENT OF KHERSON, July 3.—While the disciplinary battalions were being exercised upon the parade ground to-day, a number of soldiers attacked Captain Gigorodsky with bayonets, slightly wounding Colonel Davydoff, the battalion commander, drew his sword and rushed to enter the port but on being fired upon by the Elisabetha and evidently awed by the firm stand taken by the authorities, she decided to retire.

"Company, attention! musicians to the front! hurrah!"

The colonel then led the battalion back to barracks. He wrote a letter to the Emperor and then expired, having received five bayonet wounds in the abdomen and lungs.

The murderers, numbering eight, escaped, but eventually seven of them were caught.

As Mr. Epes Sees It.

Mr. Freeman Epes, of Notoway, a member of the Democratic State Central Committee, was in the city yesterday. When asked as to the political outlook in the county he replied: "I am for Swanson, but I believe Dr. Sykes will carry Notoway by a good majority for Senator, and I think he will also carry Amelia in the same way."

Mr. Epes stated that there were three candidates for the House in the district embracing the counties of Notoway and Amelia, and all of them from Amelia. They are Mr. J. A. Sydnor, Mr. Charles Irvine and Mr. J. Winston Powles. He expressed the opinion that Mr. Sydnor would probably be the nominee.

Stole Money for Celebration.

Isaac Lee, the butler, and Early Baptist, the office boy, of Dr. M. C. Sykes, of No. 201 West Main Street, were arrested yesterday upon a charge of stealing money and jewelry from Dr. Sykes. They were caught by Detectives Tomlinson and Gibson. The negro boy had spent the money on a party for a celebration to-day. When arrested he confessed to having stolen \$10 and a gold watch, and told the officers where Mr. Lee had buried the treasure. A part of the money and the watch were recovered.

TOPEKA BANK CLOSES DOORS

Failure Due to Too Extensive Loans to Charles J. Devlin, Millionaire Mine Owner.

CRASH HITS MANY PLACES

Liabilities of Bankrupt Estimated at \$2,500,000 to \$4,000,000.

Run on Banks.

(By Associated Press.)

TOPEKA, Kas., July 3.—No definite statement was obtainable to-day regarding the condition of the First National Bank, controlled by Charles J. Devlin, a wealthy coal mine owner, which closed its doors this morning. Col. W. H. Rosier, vice-president of the bank, locked the institution's books in the vault to await the arrival of J. T. Bradley, National Bank Examiner, whom the controller had appointed receiver of the failed bank, and the Colonel would only say:

"The bank's trouble has not been caused by dishonesty on the part of anyone, but by lending too largely to one borrower. There has been no stealing."

The borrower, it is said, is Mr. Devlin, and the bank is said to hold the capitalist's paper to the amount of \$1,000,000. Mr. Devlin, whose sudden illness brought about the failure of the bank, was a coal and railroad properties valued, it is estimated at close to \$1,000,000, and is still under the care of a physician, and no statement could be secured from him. All that came from his home during the day or could be secured from other sources was that the stricken coal operator had turned over to the bank nearly \$700,000 in life insurance and about the same amount in Topeka real estate. Business associates of Mr. Devlin gave it as their opinion that if properly handled this would allow the bank to pay.

Aside from the flurry that the failure of the First National Bank caused on the other banks of the city, the most interesting phase of the situation was the statement of the State Treasurer, T. T. Kelly, that the bank held \$447,000 of the State funds, and the knowledge that Mr. Devlin was one of Treasurer Kelly's bondsmen.

Following the announcement of the failure, a lively but not dangerous run was started on the Central National Bank. Other runs of a lesser degree were started on the State Savings Bank, the Bank of Topeka and on the Merchants National Bank. At none of these banks, however, was the demand for withdrawals great.

Devlin was generally credited as being one of the wealthiest men in Kansas City. He was at the head of twenty-six different companies, coal mining enterprises and mercantile establishments, and owned stock in twenty-five banks. His liabilities, it was estimated, ran from two and a half to four millions, principally due to fourteen banks.

The First National has a capital of \$300,000 and owes depositors a million and a half.

PICKETT CAMP.

Officers Are Chosen and Preparations Completed for Outing.

A meeting of the George E. Pickett Camp, Confederate Veterans, was held last night at their headquarters, No. 307 North Seventh Street, for the purpose of electing and installing officers and making preparations for their annual outing to-day. The camp was called to order at 8:00 P. M. sharp by Commander J. E. Sullivan, and after a short prayer by Rev. W. E. Talley exercises were commenced. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved, after which some small local matters received attention from a committee appointed therefor. About twenty-nine or thirty members were present and apparently in excellent humor. Several amendments to the by-laws were presented, but were referred to the next meeting. It was decided that the camp go to Westhampton to-day to recreate and to commemorate the anniversary of the nation's independence. The members of the camp will, of course, go in groups, the first party leaving at 1:30 in the afternoon. Refreshments and speaking, both extempore and formal, will be the order of the day. Comrade Storrs will deliver an address. A committee of arrangements will get everything ready at the park by 11 A. M. The camp expects to return by 8 or 9 P. M.

The elections were as follows: Commander, J. E. Sullivan; first lieutenant, commander, Foster; second lieutenant, commander, J. T. Hay; third lieutenant, commander, W. M. Cary; adjutant, R. N. Northern; quartermaster, J. B. Angle; commissary, J. Zimmerman; treasurer, C. C. Loehr; chaplain, O. J. Chapman; surgeon, J. A. Hillsman; officer of the day, R. D. Brown; officer of the guard, B. F. Beckles; color bearer, R. H. Smith; quartermaster-sergeant, G. C. Cormick.

Nearly all of the newly made officers made speeches, thanking the assembly for the honor conferred upon them. At 10 o'clock the meeting adjourned.

BUILDING RAILWAYS.

Texas Leads All the States in Mileage Constructed.

According to figures to be printed by the Railway Age the laying of track on the Texas coast resulted in the construction of 1,284 miles, the lowest record for the first six months of any year since 1898, when the figures were 1,811 miles for the first half of the year. In the total mileage but 2,977 miles were laid in Virginia and 4,330 in West Virginia. The figures for the first half of 1905 under construction with 123 miles. North Dakota is second with 98.1 miles; Oregon comes next with 72, and Alabama next with 71 miles. North Carolina and Indian Territory rank next with 65 miles.

Among the important lines on which grading is being pushed is the Tidewater Railway of Virginia, of which 100 miles are under contract. The Rock Island is grading 107 miles in Arkansas and the Santa Fe 200 miles in New Mexico.

The figures on construction of railway in Virginia evidently do not include double-tracking, for the Chesapeake and

Ohio alone has done more than 3 miles. At the present rate of railroad construction in the entire country about 3,500 miles will be laid during 1905, and as a matter of fact, the construction is expected to largely exceed those figures.

FOR UNCLE SAM.

Receipts of Postoffice Steadily and Largely Increasing.

Receipts at the Richmond postoffice for the month of June, 1905 were \$34,217.33, compared with \$29,731.23 for the month of June, 1904, an increase for the month just closed of \$4,486.10, or about 15 per cent. For the quarter ended June 30, 1905, the receipts from the sales of stamps and stamped paper were \$105,038.50, compared with \$93,136.61, an increase for the 1905 quarter of \$11,901.89, or about 14 per cent.

Collectors for the sale of stamps and stamped paper for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1905, amounted to \$400,332.36, compared with \$375,180.03, an increase of \$25,152.33 for the year. This increase has been steady and unprecedented in recent years.

Besides the handling of all the money involved in the above figures, all the rural carriers in the State are paid through the Richmond office. The pay roll for June of the 732 rural carriers amounted to \$14,922.70, and the total pay roll, including office employees, to about \$35,000. The pay roll for rural carriers during the fiscal years just closed aggregated more than \$60,000.

TROUBLE FOR HIM.

Three Serious Charges Preferred Against Violent Young Man.

Sidney Pocklington, a young white man, was placed behind the bars at the First Station last night, and three charges lodged against him. He is charged with assaulting Alex. Myers and another charges him with trespassing upon the property of one cursing and abusing Mrs. R. M. Page.

Officer C. H. Hughes went to arrest the man and had lots of trouble with him. He was taken to the station. At the station a third charge, that of threatening the life of the officer, was lodged against him. He was placed in the cell he raised a disturbance for more than an hour and abused every officer in the station.

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24th Annual Session will begin Sept. 13th, 1905. For catalogue address, REV J. M. RHODES, A. M., President, Littleton, N. C.

THE COAL COMBINE

HAS BEEN BROKEN

One of Larger Dealers Lost Big Order As Result of Cut and Dissolved Agreement.

The price of anthracite coal has been reduced by the dealers of this city to \$9 per ton for July delivery. During June some of the dealers, if not all, were quoting it at \$6.50 per ton. A representative of The Times-Dispatch yesterday asked representatives of two firms whether the coal combine had been dissolved, and if not, what was the explanation of the reduction in the price to consumers. Both gentlemen denied that there had been an combine, but admitted that most of the coal dealers of the city had agreed not to cut price, but by doing so the price be reduced to such an extent as to destroy all profit.

One of the gentlemen in question admitted this concept of action, and the other gave way the real reason of the drop and at the same time practically established the fact that there had been a combination to maintain the price at such a figure that a fair profit might be had.

He stated that recently one of the largest, probably the largest, dealer in the city had lost a big order for coal by reason of the fact that another firm which was a partner in the combine, had undercut him and gotten the order. Incensed at this action, he served notice that he was going to "sell coal for fun" and was warning that he was going to meet competition.

A representative of one of the dealers stated that they were paying \$10.00 per long ton for July deliveries of coal; that they would have to pay \$8.50 for August shipments, and \$6.50 for September shipments. He said that when the price of coal is \$10.00 per ton, and the difference between a short and a long ton is \$1.50, the selling price be maintained, their profit will be but 20 cents per ton, and in September but 10 cents per ton.

It would seem from these statements that the coal combine, agreement or whatever it may be termed, had been broken, and that the cause of the dissolution, hard as it may be on the dealer, the consumers are the beneficiaries, and it may be that a still further reduction will ensue.

TOBACCO ASSOCIATION.

Meets at Old Point To-day—A Large Crowd Will Attend.

The United States Tobacco Association convened in its annual meeting to-day at Old Point.

A large crowd of tobacco dealers and smokers from all sections of the country gathered at the old point to-day to witness the annual meeting of the association. Among those who will go from Richmond this morning are: Yanna Payson, S. Gorman, V. L. Halcott, C. D. Larus, John L. Wingo, T. M. Carlington, W. G. Neal, L. B. Vaughan, F. B. Scott, Daniel McLean, J. Noble, John C. Hagan, R. T. Arrington, Elias S. Brown, and W. T. Hancock.

A report will be made by the president of the association, Mr. T. M. Carlington, after which the reports of standing committees will be read. To-morrow the election of officers for the ensuing term will be held. Among the questions that will come up for discussion is whether a protest should be made against the import tax levied in England on cigars.

PREACH AT ST. PAUL'S.

Rev. W. Dudley Powers, a Richmond Boy, Invited to Supply.

Rev. W. Dudley Powers, pastor of St. Paul's Church, in Flint, Mich., will supply the pulpit at St. Paul's Church during July.

Powers is a nephew of Bishop Dudley, and was for years general secretary for the American Church Missionary Society. He is a Virginian, having been born and brought up in Richmond. He is well known in church circles, and is a popular young preacher. At present Mr. Powers is summering at the Virginia mountains, whence he will come each week to hold services at St. Paul's.

Officers of Book Binders.
At a meeting Saturday night of the local union, No. 92, International Brotherhood of Book Binders, officers were installed. They are: President, William E. Gary; Vice-President, J. Claude Ralston; Recording Secretary, S. V. Gregory; National Secretary, H. E. Atkinson; Stated Clerk, W. E. Bailey; Inspector and Guide, William C. Ralston, William E. Bailey, H. E. Atkinson, Joseph Portch and W. C. Harman were appointed delegates to the Central Trades and Labor Council.

Thrown Under Wagon Wheels.

A colored boy named Jackson narrowly escaped a fatal accident yesterday. He was driving a cart, when the horse became frightened and ran away. The boy was pitched from the wagon and fell under the wheels, which passed over his body. He was seriously injured, but his injuries are not so serious that he cannot then whether there were any internal injuries.

Pocket Searchlight.

Every officer of the Police Department was yesterday provided with a pocket searchlight. The Police Board made this recommendation some time ago, and yesterday afternoon Major Werner sent to each station the necessary supply of lamps for the men.

The searchlights are handy and will assist an officer in many ways, especially in locating the numbers on streets.

Held for Car Robbery.

William Lightfoot, a negro, formerly a convict, was arrested last night by Sergeant Kerse and lodged in the First Police Station. He was yesterday indicted by the grand jury for complicity in the robbery of two cars on the Seaboard Air Line Railroad some months ago.

This robbery resulted in the arrest of a white man, who was a merchant, and who is alleged to have handled the stolen goods. Lightfoot is well known to the police.

Struck a Terrible Blow.

A colored man named Anderson Johnson, of No. 108 North Second Street, was struck in the head by a brick thrown by Terry Mitchell, and knocked unconscious. The blow was severe, and it is feared that concussion of the brain may result.

Bids for Ashland School.

Bids will be received this week for the erection of the new public school building at Ashland, Va. Messrs. D. D. Chas. G. F. Delarue and J. M. Stone, the committee appointed to arrange for the erection of the building, have announced that bids will be received up to 6 P. M., July 10th.

Qualification.

In the Chancery Court yesterday Eliza Flinks qualified as executrix of the estate of the late William Flinks, amounting to about \$12,000.

Will Fish in Deep Water.

Judge S. B. Witt, Judge John H. Ingram, Colonel B. C. Jones, Sheriff John H. Epps and Mr. George E. Gary left yesterday afternoon for Old Point, where they will take a tug and fish in deep water for a week.

Failed of Quorum.

The Common Council failed of a quorum last night. A resolution was adopted calling the body in a special session on Thursday night at 8 o'clock. The Committee on Cemeteries, scheduled to meet at 8 o'clock, also failed of a quorum.

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